

REMARKS

In the Official Action mailed on **4 January 2007**, the Examiner reviewed claims 1-3, 5-16, 18-29 and 31-39. Claims 1-3, 5-16, 18-29, and 31-39 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being anticipated by Wu et al. (US Pub. No. 2005/0033726 hereinafter "Wu"), and further in view of Gary Willman Policastro (US Pub. No. 2003/0018605 hereinafter "Policastro").

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Independent claims 1, 14, and 27 were rejected as being anticipated by Wu, in view of Policastro.


Note that filing date of Wu (USPN 2005/0033726 A1) is May 19, 2004, and the filing date of the related provisional application (No. 60/472,068) is May 19, 2003. Applicant hereby swears back of these references based on the attached invention disclosure form, which was received on February 12, 2003. Applicant has attached a declaration under 37 CFR §1.131 stating that the invention was conceived and implemented on or before January 10, 2003.

The above references no longer constitute prior art for the present invention. Hence, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 1, 14, and 27 are in condition for allowance. Applicant also submits that claims 2-3, and 5-13, which depend upon claim 1, claims 15-16, and 18-26, which depend upon claim 14, and claims 28-29, and 31-39, which depend upon claim 27, are for the same reasons in condition for allowance and for reasons of the unique combinations recited in such claims.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is presently in form for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

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